



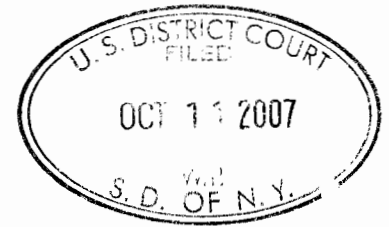
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October 11, 2007

BY HAND

The Honorable Lisa Margaret Smith  
Chief United States Magistrate Judge  
United States District Court  
300 Quarropas Street  
White Plains, NY 10601



Re: United States v. Ricardo Artiga,  
07 Cr. 820

Dear Chief Judge Smith:

The United States hereby requests that the indictment in the above-captioned case be unsealed. The defendant was arrested this afternoon.

Respectfully Submitted,

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SO ORDERED: Lisa Margaret Smith

Hon. Lisa Margaret Smith  
U.S.M.J.

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